GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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IRREGULARITIES AT PETROL PUMPS
BIR SING MAHATO;RATNA SINGH

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some petrol pumps have been closed for 30 days on account of irregularities during the last year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the closer of a petrol pump for 30 days is an insufficient punishment for the various irregularities committed by petrol pump owners; and

(d) if so, the stringent steps being taken in this direction?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) & (b) :- 277 petrol pumps have been closed for 30 days on account of irregularities during the last year i.e. 2002-2003.

(c) & (d) :- Punitive action is taken against erring dealers depending on the nature of irregularity, which includes the suspension of sales and supplies along with a fine and termination of dealership under Marketing Discipline Guidelines and/or Dealership Agreement.